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To the Committee on Agriculture (COAG) of Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations

Subject: Supporting the Mongolian Government's Proposal on International Year of the Rangelands and Pastoralists

Dear Sir/Madam,

The Ministry of Agriculture and Forests of the Royal Government of Bhutan presents its complements to the Committee on Agriculture at the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO). Through this letter we express our support to the Mongolian Government's proposal on International Year of the Rangelands and Pastoralists.

The Ministry of Agriculture and Forests considers this initiative a noble one in raising awareness on rangelands and pastoralists, providing impetus and momentum necessary for a worldwide understanding of the importance of these lands to global food security and environmental services. This can also highlight the importance of sustainable management and restoration, and enlightened policies to enhance the natural and cultural values of rangelands and pastoral livelihood systems. It would help in recognizing their own cultural systems and traditions (especially among youth), and foster innovation towards sustainability and improving the quality of their life.

Therefore, this letter presents the support of Ministry of Agriculture and Forests of the Royal Government of Bhutan to the Mongolian Government's proposal on International Year of the Rangelands and Pastoralists.

Yours sincerely,

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